

SAFETY COMMITTEE

May 6, 2026

The May 6, 2026 special Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers by Aaron Korte, Chairperson. Safety Committee members present were Aaron Korte, Julia Lemire, and Scott Moore.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Stephanie Hessey, Human Resources Officer; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The purpose of this meeting was to review Section 133.03 Fire Chief: Vacancy and Qualifications, of Chapter 133 Fire Division of the City's Codified Ordinances.

It was noted that the existing regulations contained in Section 133.03, addressing a vacancy in the full-time Fire Chief position, were adopted in 1977.

Safety Committee members reviewed a draft of revised regulations, as prepared by Mr. Ben Buckland, Law Director. Mr. Moore indicated that he would like to see the addition of a certain mile radius for a residency requirement for a full-time Fire Chief. Considerable discussion was held regarding what mile radius should be established for a residency requirement, and it was agreed that a thirty (30) mile radius should be added. Mr. Korte stated that he would prefer one (1) year of supervisory experience also be added to the regulations.

Mr. Buckland will address the recommended revisions to the regulations.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Aaron Korte, Chairperson